

EDIC Case No. 29  
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SUBJECT

The Sino-Soviet Bloc Tire Industry.

REQUESTING AGENCY AND DATE

Department of Commerce, 28 April 1958.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF INFORMATION

As soon as possible.

PROPOSED USE

To complement a technical study of the tire making industry currently being prepared to assist the ACEP Operating Committee in establishing US policy with regard to US exports of tire-making machinery to Soviet Bloc countries.

REFERENCE

Memorandum to Chairman of EDIC from Henry S. Bashkin, Chief, Soviet Bloc Controls Section, Strategic Controls Division, Office of Export Supply, Bureau of Foreign Commerce, Department of Commerce, 28 April 1958.

BACKGROUND

The Department of Commerce is currently making a study of the tire manufacturing industry in anticipation of requests from the US business community for permission to export tire making machinery to the USSR and other European Soviet Bloc countries. This study, complemented by pertinent intelligence data, is to assist the ACEP Operating Committee in establishing US policy with regard to such exports.

ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that EDIC prepare an intelligence study of the Sino-Soviet Bloc tire industry, including information on plant capacity, vehicle park, current and planned production of tires and of tire-making machinery, carbon black, tire cord, processing chemicals, and other essentials to tire manufacture.

ASSIGNMENT OF PRODUCTION RESPONSIBILITY

CIA is assigned responsibility for this project.

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